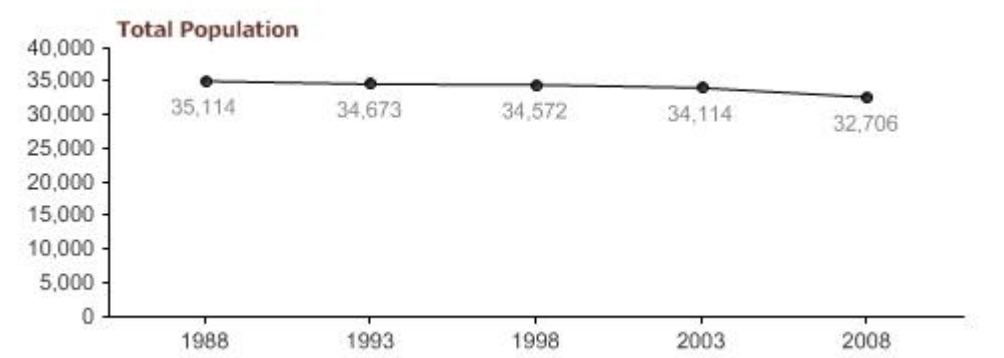


Wabash County, IN Highlights

Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	35,114	34,673	34,572	34,114	32,706
Change Since 1988		-441	-542	-1,000	-2,408
Pct. Change Since 1988		-1.3%	-1.5%	-2.8%	-6.9%



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008										
	Number									
Net Domestic Migration	-163	<p>A bar chart titled "Components of Change" showing the contribution of three factors to the total population change from 2007 to 2008. The y-axis represents the number of people, ranging from 0 to -180 in increments of 20. The x-axis lists the components: Domestic Migration, International Migration, and Natural Increase. Domestic Migration is represented by a blue bar at -163, International Migration by a small blue bar at -1, and Natural Increase by a green bar at -22.</p> <table><tr><th>Component</th><th>Number</th></tr><tr><td>Domestic Migration</td><td>-163</td></tr><tr><td>International Migration</td><td>-1</td></tr><tr><td>Natural Increase</td><td>-22</td></tr></table>	Component	Number	Domestic Migration	-163	International Migration	-1	Natural Increase	-22
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Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	-22									
Births	368									
Deaths	390									

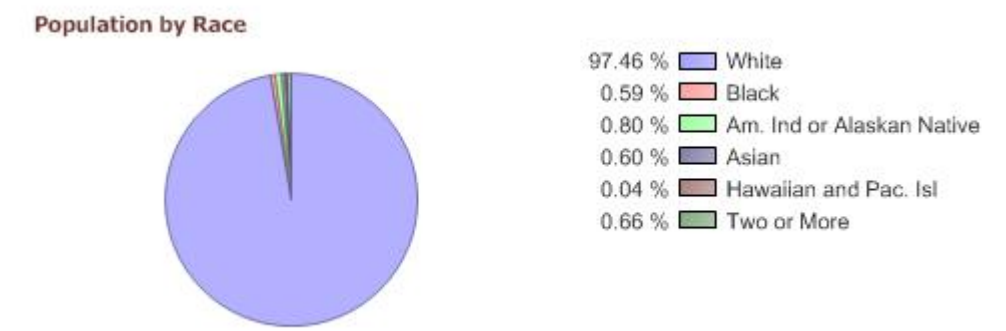
Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007		
	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	1,818	5.5%
School Age	5,352	16.3%
College Age	3,285	10.0%

Young Adult	7,860	23.9%
Older Adult	8,950	27.2%
Older (65 plus)	5,653	17.2%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007		
	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	262	0.8%
Asian Alone	197	0.6%
Black Alone	193	0.6%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	12	0.0%
White Alone	32,037	97.5%
Two or More Race Groups	217	0.7%



Hispanic or Latino		
Non-Hispanic or Latino	32,469	98.8%
Hispanic or Latino	449	1.4%

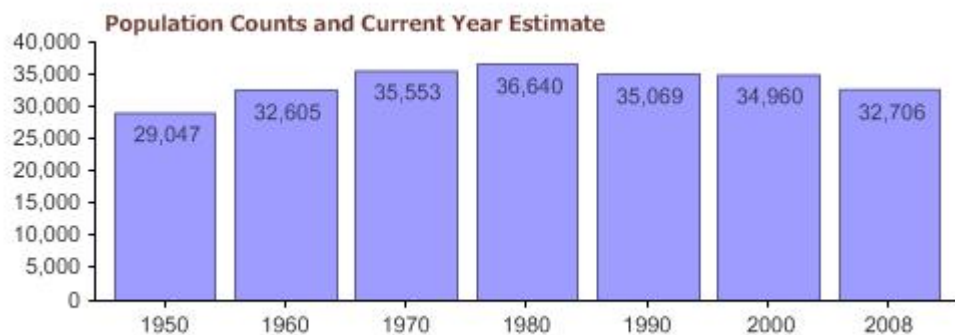
Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000		
	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	13,215	100.0%
Family Households	9,393	71.1%
Married with Children	3,184	24.1%
Married without Children	4,619	35.0%
Single Parents	960	7.3%
Other	630	4.8%
Non-family Households	3,822	28.9%
Living Alone	3,297	24.9%
Average Household Size	2.65	
Average Family Household Size	3.72	

Source: US Census Bureau

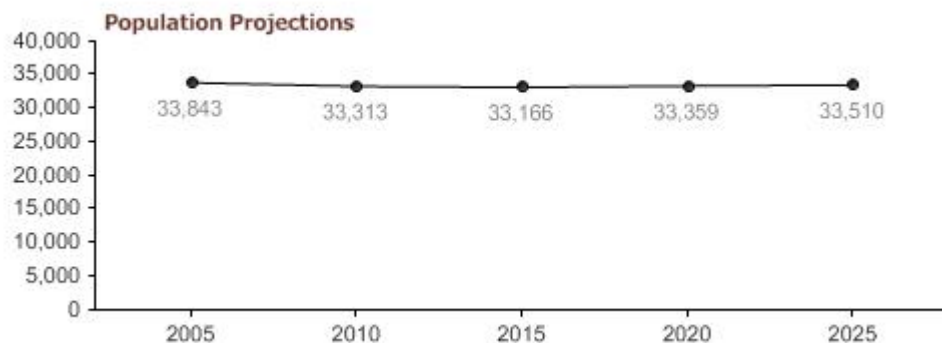
Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate			
	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.
1950	29,047	NA	NA
1960	32,605	3,558	12.2%
1970	35,553	2,948	9.0%
1980	36,640	1,087	3.1%
1990	35,069	-1,571	-4.3%

April 2000	34,960	-109	-0.3%
2008	32,706	-2,254	-6.4%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Projections					
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	33,843	33,313	33,166	33,359	33,510
Change Since 2005		-530	-677	-484	-333
Pct. Change Since 2005		-1.6%	-2.0%	-1.4%	-1.0%



Source: Indiana Business Research Center